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- 1. From 15 April 1950 to 20 July 1950 new Rumanian Army barracks were being built by Sovromconstructie No. 7 at Basarabi. The barracks were nearly completed in July at a cost of 91 million lei. Twenty-eight one-story buildings were constructed. They are as follows:
 - Seven buildings with quarters for about 100 men in each building. a.
 - Two buildings will be used as offices for the Rumanian Army. ba
 - Three buildings will be used as dining halls.
 - Five buildings will be used as depots. d.
 - Two buildings will have apartments for married officers and their families.
 - Two buildings will have apartments for ummarried officers.
 - One building which will be used as a garage has a concrete floor and is 100 meters long, 25 meters wide, and eight meters high. This garage will have space for 30 tanks.
- 2. The above barracks are located 400 meters northwest of the Basarabi railroad station. The 25 Motorized Rumanian Brigade, commanded by Colonel Colgeag, will be quartered in the new barracks. This brigade has 25 medium tanks, the caterpillar tractor type with a non-revolving turret. The brigade also has a small number of anti-aircraft and anti-tank guns, and machine guns,
- 3. In July 1950 a high ranking Soviet naval officer accompanied by Rumanian Colonel Pilarinu, responsible for the construction of the military works in the Constanta area, and two Rumanian Navy captains arrived from Constanta at Rasarabi to inspect the progress of the work on the barracks. The officers found the work to be progressing slowly, and gave instructions that the barracks should be completed by 1 August 1950.

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barracks were completed in May 1950 at

Medgidia for Rumanian tank and infantry units.

- 5. Fifty-four buildings were constructed in Navodari for the workers of the Danube-Black Sea canal. These are one-story brick buildings with two, three, or four apartments each.
- 6. In April 1950 barrack constructions (garages for tanks) began in the following places at Constanta area at a cost of 300 million led:
 - a. Near the village of Corbul de Sus.
 - b. Near the village of Valea Neugra.
 - c. Hear the village of Schitul.
 - d. Near the village of Viile Noii (sic).
 - e. At a site six to seven kil meters northwest of Constants and west of the Constants. Ovidiu highway. At this place stood the tile factory of George Michael, a Greek.

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had been issued to begin work on five underground concrete oumps in a forest northwest of Basarabi. They will presumably be gasoline and kerosene dumps, steel tanks for gasoline and kerosene did exist near the Basarabi barracks, and that they were going to be removed to the above forest.

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- 8. In a forest north of the railroad line and the public highway, and near the Valul lui Traian railroad station, there are underground amounition dumps. They were constructed in 1944, and are still in use. They are guarded by Rumanian sailors.
- 9. In August 1944 a new railroad line was completed running from the Salva railroad station (a few rilometers west of Nasaud) to the village of Viscul de Sus, 60 kilometers by rail north of Salva. This line was constructed to serve Sighet, a team near the Czechoslovak frontier, to avoid paying a toll to Czechoslovakia each time goods are sent by rail to Sighet.